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This memo describes the actions taken on the paper "Prospects for an Early Successful Chinese Communist Attack on Taiwan." It relates how the CIA position was watered down in order to come to a compromise and how this version was rejected by first ONI, then A-2, and finally G-2. Though it was explained to all agencies that under DCI 3/2 a dissent must be a dissent and not another proposal, all the intelligence groups insisted on having their papers attached. Mr. Babbitt concludes that it would have been better to have three dissents on the original version than on a compromise paper that did not represent the CIA position accurately.

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